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HOUSE RESOLUTION 166

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A RESOLUTION to congratulate Jim and Dorothy Cress on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, the members of this legislative body take great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on April 8, 1967, Jim and Dorothy Cress were joined in holy matrimony, and since that fateful day, this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cress, a Johnson County native, and Mrs. Cress, a Richmond, Virginia, native, make their home in Midlothian, Virginia; they are members of Clover Hill Baptist Church in Richmond; and

WHEREAS, a retired Nabisco employee, Jim Cress is a Vietnam War veteran and a Mason; and

WHEREAS, Dorothy Cress served with acumen and alacrity at Verizon Communications, in which position she earned the respect of her peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, this fine couple's praiseworthy marriage has produced one daughter, Karen Sullivan, and they are the proud grandparents of one granddaughter, Sarah; and

WHEREAS, for fifty years, this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Cresses' are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and congratulate Jim and Dorothy Cress on the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.